REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was flied prior to May 29,2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term

| adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000) which established RCE practice. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | i. | Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | (Any un-entered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | i. Amendment/Replyii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | iv. Request for Extension of Time | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| a. | | Susp | ension of | faction on the above-identified | l applicatio | n is requested u | nder 37 C.F.R. §1. | .103(c) for a period | | | | | |
| | | of _ | . , ,, | months. (Period of suspension sha | all not exceed | 3 months; fee unde | r 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) re | quired) | | | | | |
| b. | | Othe | er: | _ | | | | | | | | | |
| a. | The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed. a. Authorization to charge to credit card in the amount of \$405 b. If payment in the appropriate amount is not enclosed, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees required by this paper, including the RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e), any extension of time fees (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) necessary to render the RCE timely, and any suspension fee or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Signature Date 10, 2010 September 10, 2010 | | | | | | | 0 | | | | | | |
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